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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 5074A-000021/COA  
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Title IMAGE GUIDED SPINAL SURGERY GUIDE, SYSTEM, AND METHOD FOR USE THEREOF  
Express Mail Label No. EL486599196US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
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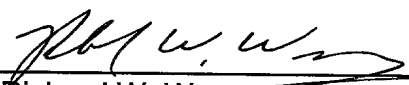
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